

ACRONYMS	
501 (c)(3)	Internal Revenue Service's non-profit classification
AA	Alcoholics Anonymous
AAMR	American Association for Mental Retardation
ABD	Aged Blind and Disabled = Social Security Insurance population
ACCEPT	Advocacy Center for Children's Education & Parent Training
ACH	Adult Care Home
ACSW	Academy of Certified Social Workers
ACTT	Assertive Community Treatment Team
ACYF	Administration for Children, Youth, and Families
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act (Federal)
ADAMHA	Alcohol and Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration (see SAMHSA)
ADAP	Adult Day Activities Program
AD/HD	Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
ADM	Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Block Grant
AFDC	Aid to Families with Dependent Children
AHEC	Area Health Education Center
AHP	Accountable Health Plan
AMI	Alliance for the Mentally Ill
AOC	Administrative Office of the Courts
AOI	Assessment & Outcome Instrument
APWA	American Public Welfare Association
ARC	At Risk Children
ARC	Association for Retarded Citizens
ARCH	Access to Respite Care and Help
ASO	Administrative Service Organization
ATP	Assistive Technology Project
BATC	Butner Adolescent Treatment Center
BC/BS	Blue Cross and Blue Shield
BD	Behaviorally Disturbed
CA	Carolina Alternatives
CAFAS	Child and Adolescent Functional Assessment Scale
CAP	Community Alternatives Program
CAP-C	Community Alternatives Program for Children
CAP-DA	Community Alternatives Program for Disabled Adults
CAP-DD	Community Alternatives Program for Development Disabilities
CAP-HIV	Community Alternatives Program for Persons with HIV
CAP-MR/DD	Community Alternative Programs for the Mentally Retarded & Developmentally Disabled
CARF	Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities
CASSP	Child and Adolescent Service System Program
CBCL	Child Behavioral Checklist
CBI	Client Behavior Intervention
CDBG	Community Development Block Grants (Federal/City)
CDC	Child Development Center
CDC	Centers for Disease Control
CDF	Children's Defense Fund
CDSA	Children's Developmental Services Agencies
CFS	Child and Family Services
CFT	Child and Family Team

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CHAMPUS	Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services
CHSH	Children's Special Health Services
CJU	Coalition for Juvenile Justice
CLA	Community Living Association
CMH	Child Mental Health
CMHC	Community Mental Health Center
CMHS	Center for Mental Health Services (established under PL 102-321)
CMS	Case Management Services
CNR	Continued Need Review
COBRA	Consolidated Omnibus Budget and Reconciliation Act
CSC	Child Service Coordination (or Coordinator)
CUACS	Center for Urban Affairs and Community Services, NC State University
DD	Developmentally Delayed
DDST	Denver Developmental Screening Test
DDTI	Developmental Disabilities Training Institute
DEC	Developmental Evaluation Center
DEHNR	Department of Environment, Health and Natural Resources
DFS	Division of Facility Services
DHHS-NC	NC Department of Health and Human Services
DHHS-US	United States Department of Health and Human Services
DIRM	Division of Information Resource Management
DMA	Division of Medical Assistance
DME	Durable Medical Equipment
DMH/DD/SAS	Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services
DJJDP	Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
DOA	Division of Aging
DOE	Department of Education (Federal)
DOJ	Department of Justice (Federal)
DOS	Date of Service
DPI	Department of Public Instruction (State)
DPH	Department of Public Health (Federal)
DRG	Diagnostic Related Group
DPH	Division of Public Health (State)
DSB	Division of Services for the Blind
DSDHH	Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
DSM	Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders
DSS	Division of Social Services (State)
DSS	Department of Social Services (County)
DYS	Division of Youth Services
EBD	Emotionally or Behaviorally Disturbed
ECAC	Exceptional Children's Assistance Center
ECI	Early Childhood Intervention
ECS	Electronic Claims Submission
EDS	Electronic Data Systems
EFT	Electronic Funds Transfer
EHA	The Education for All Handicapped Children Act (PL 94-142, see IDEA)
EI	Early Intervention
EN	Enteral Nutrition

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EPSDT	Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment
FAA	Families As Allies (affiliate of Federation of Families)
FAPE	Free and Appropriate Public Education
FCAN	Families CAN
FIS	Financial Initiatives Section
FSN	Family Support Network
GAO	General Accounting Office
HCFA	Health Care Financing Administration
HCPSC	HCFA Common Procedure Coding System
HHS	United States Department of Health and Human Services
HIT	Home Infusion Therapy
HMO	Health Maintenance Organization
HPC	Health Insurance Purchasing Cooperative (Health Alliance)
HUD	Department of Housing and Urban Development
I & R	Information and Referral
IAC	Inter-Agency Council
ICC	Interagency Coordinating Council
ICF	Intermediate Care Facility
ICR-MR	Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act
IEP	Individualized Education Program
IFSP	Individual Family Services Plan
IHSM	Institute for Human Services Management
IMD	Institute for Mental Disease
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
IST	Individual Service Team
JCAHO	Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospital Organizations
JOBS	Job Opportunities and Basic Skills Program (required under AFDC)
JTPA	Job Training Partnership Act
LCSW	Licensed Clinical Social Worker
LEA	Local Education Agency
LICC	Local Interagency Coordinating Council
LME	Local Management Entity
LPN	Licensed Practical Nurse
LRE	Least Restrictive Environment
MCH	Maternal and Child Health
MHA	Mental Health Association
MHA/NC	Mental Health Association in North Carolina
MID	Medicaid Identification Number
MOD	March of Dimes
MPR	Medicaid for Pregnant Women
MQB	Medicare Qualified Beneficiaries
MR	Mental Retardation
MSW	Master's Degree in Social Work
NA	Narcotics Anonymous
NAMI	National Alliance on Mental Illness
NAPCWA	National Association for Public Child Welfare Administrators
NASDSE	National Association of State Directors of Special Education

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NASMHPD	National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors
NASW	National Association of Social Workers
NCAC	North Carolina Administrative Code
NCCYH	National Information Center for Children and Youth with Handicaps
N CFU	North Carolina Families United
NCH	National Coalition for the Homeless
NCSL	National Conference of State Legislatures
NDRR	National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research
NEC*TAS	National Early Childhood Technical Assistance System
NICU	Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
NIMH	National Institute of Mental Health
NMHA	National Mental Health Association
OBRA	Omnibus Budget and Reconciliation Act
ODD	Oppositional Defiant Disorder
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OT	Occupational Therapy
OTA	Office of Technology Assessment
P & A	Protection and Advocacy
PAC	Parent Advisory Council (Maternal & Child Health)
PACT	Parents & Children Together (or parent & child training)
PART B	Preschool Program under IDEA for 3 and 4 year olds
PCP	Person-Centered Planning
PCS	Personal Care Services
PCT	Person-Centered Thinking
PICU	Pediatric Intensive Care Unit
PL 101-639	Mental Health Amendments of 1990 to PL 99-660
PL 102-321	ADAMHA Reorganization Act
PL 96-272	The Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980
PL 99-457	Education For All Children Handicapped Act/ Amendments of 1986
PL 99-660	State Comprehensive Mental Health Services Plan Act of 1986
PMC	Project Management Committee
POC	Plan of Care
POS	Purchase of Service
PPO	Referred Provider Organization
PSA	Public Service Announcement
PT	Physical Therapy
PTI	Parent Training and Information Centers
PTSD	Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
PYFU	Powerful Youth Friends United
QA	Quality Assurance
QDDP	Qualified Developmental Disability Professional
QI	Quality Improvement
R & T	Research and Training Centers (on children's mental health)
RA	Remittance Advice
REOMB	Recipient Explanation of Medicaid Benefits
RFP	Request for Proposal
RN	Registered Nurse
ROLES	Residential Living Environment Placement Stability Scale

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RRC	Regional Resource Centers (special education)
RSM	Regional Service Manager
RWJ	Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
SAMSHA	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
SAS	Statistical Analysis System
SEA	State Education Agency
SEANC	State Employees Association of North Carolina
SED	Seriously Emotionally Disturbed
SHCC	State Health Coordinating Council
SIPS	State Information Processing Services
SMHRCY	State Mental Health Representatives for Children and Youth
SOC	System of Care
SSA	Social Security Administration
SSBG	Social Security Block Grant, Title XX of the Social Security Act
SSDI	Social Security Disability Insurance
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
ST	Speech Therapy
TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
T/HP	Treatment/ Habilitation Plan
TEACCH	Treatment and Education of Autistic Children and Other Communication Handicaps
T/HP	Treatment/Habilitation Plan
Title IB-B	Child Welfare Services Program (Section of the Social Security Act)
Title IV	Child Welfare Act Section of the Social Security Act
Title IV-A	Aid to Families with Dependent Children (Section of the Social Security Act)
Title IV-D	Child Support Enforcement Program (Section of the Social Security Act)
Title IV-E	Foster Care and Adoption Assistance Programs (Section of the Social Security Act)
Title V	Maternal and Child Health (Section of the Social Security Act)
Title X	Federal Family Planning Program (Section of the Public Health Service Act)
Title XIX	Medicaid (Section of the Social Security Act)
Title XVIII	Medicare (Section of the Social Security Act)
Title XX	see SSBG
TPL	Third Party Liability
TPN	Total Parenteral Nutrition
UCP	United Cerebral Palsy
VA	Veterans Affair
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation
WIC	Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children